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James K. Hall, Chief Freedom of Information-Privacy Acts Branch J. Edgar Hoover Building, Room 6296 10th and Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20535

Attention: Milton Laughland

Reference: FOI/PA Request of Tscherim Soobzokov

Dear Mr. Laughland:

On 6 March 1979 you forwarded to this Agency 16 documents containing CIA-originated information and you requested that we review the documents as to their possible release. Twelve of the 16 documents were classified. (S)

We have completed our review of the documents. It is our understanding that the Bureau has already released this material to Soobzokov with marginal notations referring to the CIA. It has been determined, therefore, that the already excised CIA information (as shown in the sanitized copies enclosed) is being denied under exemption (b)(1) of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). The excised CIA information is classified SECRET. Exemption (b)(3) also applies; however, given the identification of the CIA, please do not refer to (b)(3) on the public record in this case. This response differs from that in other requests for this same information because of the already existing identification of CIA in these documents as sent to Soobzokov. No additional information (beyond that already released to Soobzokov) should be released. (S)

The Agency's Directorate of Operations has asked us to advise you that the determinations on the enclosed documents were made only on the available texts. For example, documents 3, 8, 14, and 15 were only partial documents; the remaining portions may or may not contain additional CIA equities. If, upon final review, you identify additional information that you believe may contain CIA equities, we request you provide full-text copies for our review and determination as to releasability. (U)

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You may recall that the enclosed documents, as sanitized, were discussed directly with you at conferences with representatives of this Agency's Office of General Counsel, Directorate of Operations, and my office on 13 August and 2 September 1981. (U)

John E. Bacon Information and Privacy Coordinator

Enclosure

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